GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Panchayat Raj & Rural Development – Certain allegations of irregular layouts and un-authorized building constructions in Bommuru, Katheru, Hukumpeta and Pidimgoyyi Gram Panchayats of Rajahmundry Rural Mandal, East Godavari District - Disciplinary action initiated against Sri K.P.Chandra Sekhar, the then DLPO and (09) others - Common disciplinary proceedings initiated under Rule 24 of APCS(CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Regular Inquiry conducted – Charged officer Sri Benhar Edward, Panchayat-Secretary (Retired), Pidimgoyyi Gram Panchayat of Rajamahendravaram, Rural Mandal, expired on 30.10.2022 – Further action abated – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 198 **Dated: 21-03-2025**

Read the following:

1. Vigilance Report No.36 (C.No.803/V&E/D2/2014), dt.29.04.2016.
2. G.O.Rt.No.852, PR&RD(Vig.III) Dept., dt.23.09.2016.
3. G.O.Rt.No.168, PR&RD (Vig.III) Dept., dated:24.03.2021.
4. From the Commissioner, PR&RD, A.P., Tadepalli, Guntur District Lr.No.1066128/CPR&RD/Vig/2016, dt.14.07.2022 with WSDs.
5. G.O.Rt.No.274, PR&RD(Vig.III) Dept., dt.09.05.2023.
6. Inquiry Report from the Dy. CEO, ZPP, E.G e-File No.D1/ZPP/462228 /2023, dt:09.10.2023.

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O R D E R:-

In the reference 1st read above, the General Administration (V&E) Department have recommended to initiate disciplinary action against Sri K.P.Chandra Sekhar, the then DLPO, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District and (9) others for certain allegations in misuse of Panchayat funds formation of irregular layouts & un-authorized building constructions by the Panchayat Secretaries of Bommuru, Katheru, Hukumpeta and Pidimgoyyi Gram Panchayats of Rajahmundry Rural Mandal with the collusion of higher authorities causing irreparable loss to the Government income.

2. Whereas in the reference 2nd read above, common disciplinary proceedings were initiated against Sri K.P.Chandra Sekhar, the then DLPO and (09) others, under Rule 24 of the A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 on the allegations of irregular layouts and un-authorized building constructions in Bommuru, Katheru, Hukumpeta and Pidimgoyyi Gram Panchayats of Rajahmundry Rural Mandal, East Godavari District.

3. Whereas in the reference 3rd read above, Article of Charges were framed against Sri Benhar Edward, Panchayat- Secretary (Retired), Pidimgoyyi Gram Panchayat of Rajamahendravaram, Rural Mandal, on the said allegations and directed him to submit Written Statement of Defense.

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4. Whereas in the reference 4 th read above, the Commissioner, Panchayat Raj, A.P., has submitted the Written Statements of Defense of the charged officer. After examination of Written Statement of Defense, Government appointed the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, East Godavari District as Inquiry Officer and the Divisional Panchayat Officer, Rajahmundry as Presenting Officer to present the case before the Inquiry Officer to conduct inquiry into the charges framed against the Charged officers, vide G.O.5th read above.

5. Whereas in the reference 6th read above, the Inquiry officer and the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, East Godavari District has submitted the Inquiry Report against the Charged Officers among others, duly reporting that the charged officer Sri Benhar Edward, Panchayat- Secretary (Retired), Pidimgoyyi Gram Panchayat of Rajamahendravaram, Rural Mandal, expired on 30.10.2022.

6. After careful examination of the matter, Government have decided to abate further action against Sri Benhar Edward, Panchayat Secretary (Retired), Pidimgoyyi Gram Panchayat of Rajamahendravaram, Rural Mandal, who expired on 30.10.2022, subject to recovery of loss if any, caused to the Government under rule 9(7) (a) of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980. Accordingly, Government hereby abate further action against Sri Benhar Edward, Panchayat- Secretary (Retired), Pidimgoyyi Gram Panchayat of Rajamahendravaram, Rural Mandal, who expired on 30.10.2022 subject to recovery of loss if any, caused to the Government, under rule 9(7) (a) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

7. The Director, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development, A.P., shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Legal heirs of late Benhar Edward, Panchayat- Secretary (Retired),
Pidimgoyyi Gram Panchayat of Rajamahendravaram, Rural Mandal
Through the Director, PR &RD.
The Director, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development,
A.P., Tadepalli, Guntur District.
Copy to:
The O.S.D. to the Deputy CM (PR,RD,RWS&EFST)
The P.S. to Prl. Secretary to Govt., PR&RD Dept.
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